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Offered by:

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***"AN ACT CONCERNING REVISION OF CERTAIN CAMPAIGN
FINANCE AND CITIZENS' ELECTION PROGRAM STATUTES."***

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (l) of section 1-91 of the general statutes is
4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*
5 *passage*):

6 (l) "Lobbyist" means a person who in lobbying and in furtherance of
7 lobbying makes or agrees to make expenditures, or receives or agrees
8 to receive compensation, reimbursement, or both, and such
9 compensation, reimbursement or expenditures are two thousand
10 dollars or more in any calendar year or the combined amount thereof
11 is two thousand dollars or more in any such calendar year. Lobbyist
12 shall not include:

13 (1) A public official, employee of a branch of state government or a
14 subdivision thereof, or elected or appointed official of a municipality

15 or his designee other than an independent contractor, who is acting
16 within the scope of his authority or employment;

17 (2) A publisher, owner or an employee of the press, radio or
18 television while disseminating news or editorial comment to the
19 general public in the ordinary course of business;

20 (3) An individual representing himself or another person before the
21 legislature or a state agency other than for the purpose of influencing
22 legislative or administrative action;

23 (4) Any individual or employee who receives no compensation or
24 reimbursement specifically for lobbying and who limits his activities
25 solely to formal appearances to give testimony before public sessions
26 of committees of the General Assembly or public hearings of state
27 agencies and who, if he testifies, registers his appearance in the records
28 of such committees or agencies;

29 (5) A member of an advisory board acting within the scope of his
30 appointment;

31 (6) A senator or representative in Congress acting within the scope
32 of his office;

33 (7) Any person who receives no compensation or reimbursement
34 specifically for lobbying and who spends no more than five hours in
35 furtherance of lobbying unless such person (A) exclusive of salary,
36 receives compensation or makes expenditures, or both, of two
37 thousand dollars or more in any calendar year for lobbying or the
38 combined amount thereof is two thousand dollars or more in any such
39 calendar year, or (B) expends fifty dollars or more for the benefit of a
40 public official in the legislative or executive branch, a member of his
41 staff or immediate family;

42 (8) A communicator lobbyist who receives or agrees to receive
43 compensation, reimbursement, or both, the aggregate amount of which
44 is less than two thousand dollars from each client in any calendar year;

45 (9) Any person or organization that makes expenditures solely to
46 solicit individuals or transport individuals to advocate on a matter of
47 public policy, provided such individuals receive no compensation
48 from such person or organization and such individuals are not
49 otherwise employed by such person or organization."